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## A WORD FROM THE PUBLISHER

hen Time Magazine named three whistleblowers as its "Persons of the Year" a spotlight was placed on the tide of exposés which dominated the news last year. Whether, in terms of corporate corruption, governmental misfeasance/ malfeasance, injustice in the workplace, or a host of other ills, 2002 was unrelenting in its revelation to us all that the gods do indeed have feet of clay. Some might suggest that such a plethora of uncovered badness was just a passing phase, and life will soon return to normal,

but we propose that, thus far, we have seen only symptoms



Jessica, the publisher's granddaughter, makes a point

of something much deeper which has only begun to unfold.

Something in our collective psyche may have been shaken loose by the shock of 9/11 and its aftermath, forcing us to think about things which previously had been almost ignored or forgotten. In the face of looming threats to life itself, the search for meaning and the real purpose in life, for many, has taken on a new urgency and, consequently, we have become less tolerant of the shams and scams which in less turbulent times could be foisted upon us with impunity. Such changes do not bode well for the merchants of illusion who have flourished in the twilight.

At Atlantis Rising Magazine, we believe that philosophies and scientific paradigms which limit the possibilities of the human soul also reflect great corruption at the top of the idea establishment. From this quarter has come a multitude of cheats and ploys calculated to align us all with discredited world views (several of which you can read about in this issue). Hopefully, the new honesty will prove the undoing of this group as well.

'Scientific' doctrines declaring that we are but animals—mere accidents of nature for whom destiny is a meaningless illusion—no longer awe the people and empower these self-anointed "custodians of ultimate truth." And notwithstanding frantic efforts to prolong their tenure at the top, a corrupt 'scientific' priesthood—out of touch with its own divinity—finds the emptiness of its official pronouncements becoming clear to all and its departure from the dais of authority inevitable.

Some believe that in our society there is a kind of collective compass by which we navigate in times of turmoil. Like shipwrecked sailors, we seek fixed stars to guide us to safe harbor. At such times, deep questions of identity and origin—who are we? where did we come from? and where are we going?—emerge, as if from the wings, to challenge the soulless scenarios with which we have contented ourselves in their absence.

The process, we believe, is accelerated when the facts which other media ignore are reported. Reason enough for this publication to do what it does.

Just call us whistleblowers.

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